

Heads - Up !

The newsletter for Headon, Upton, Grove & Stakeham

September 2022

Tour of Britain 2022



On Thursday 8th September, 120 of the world's top cyclists will pass through Upton as they compete in the 5th stage of the Tour of Britain cycle race. The Nottinghamshire stage will start in West Bridgford and finish in Mansfield, 117 miles in length it will be the flattest stage of the Tour with less than 2,000 metres of climbing

The race will approach Upton from East Drayton, along Main Street and out through Gamston Woods before reaching Eaton where the riders will turn towards Retford. The time for the race to reach Upton is subject to how the race develops, but the organiser's estimate riders will pass through the village some time between 13.48 and 14.26.

On the day there will be a small number of road closures in the area through a 'rolling road closure' system. This is where the race route, and junctions with access roads onto the route, are closed while the race passes through. The length of closure of the rolling road block depends upon how dispersed the riders are. Typically, the lead motorcycle instigating the closure is 15 minutes ahead of the lead rider. The closure then remains in place until all riders and race cars have passed through. In addition, the organisers have respectively requested that no cars are parked on the route on the day of the race.

If you are not about on the day but would like to see it, then you can catch up with ITV4 as they are scheduling to cover every minute of the race. Further details can be found at www.tourofbritain.co.uk

Headon Cum Upton Cinema Club Presents

The Phantom Of The Open (12A)

Based on the true story of Maurice Flitcroft, a dreamer and unrelenting optimist, who managed to gain entry to the 1976 British Open Golf Championship qualification round despite being a complete novice. Starring: Mark Rylance.

Saturday 3rd September

Headon Village Hall 7.30pm. Entrance £3.50

Contact Pat - paddythorpe@btinternet.com or on 248368

Headon-cum-Upton, Grove and Stokeham Parish Council.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on

Monday 5th September 2022 at 7.30pm

at Headon Village Hall

Sunset Over Headon



Whilst we saw plumes of black smoke come over our villages, the intensity of the fire can be seen clearly by the photo released by Tuxford Fire Station who were in attendance.

On Friday 5th August the normal tranquil view over Nether Headon was marred by clouds of black smoke from the fire at an industrial site at Ranskill, where thousands of tyres and scrap vehicles had caught fire.

Fire crews from all over the area attended and were on site for 7 days before the fire was finally out. Police are still making their enquiries and it is being treated as suspected arson.



Free Fruit in Grove

To all fruit, smoothie, jam and chutney lovers, Gerald Buffham of Cuckoo Hall in Grove has been in touch to say he has lots of plums and apples (mainly cookers) going spare.

If anyone would like some please drop in and take some as he is unable to use it all and would hate it to go to waste.

Bassetlaw Plan

Bassetlaw District Council has submitted its Local Plan to the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities. The Secretary of State will now appoint a Planning Inspector who will set a timetable for the next steps, which includes a number of public hearings, as part of the examination process of the Local Plan.

If the Planning Inspector considers that any changes need to be made to The Plan, the Council will consult the public and other organizations on any significant changes to The Plan in summer 2023. The Inspector's report will follow, ahead of a planned adoption of the Bassetlaw Local Plan by autumn 2023.

Puzzle Corner

Mr. Red, Mr. Blue, and Mr. White meet for lunch. Under their coats they are wearing either a red, blue, or white shirt.

Mr. Blue says, "Hey, did you notice we are all wearing different coloured shirts from our names?"

The man wearing the white shirt says, "Wow, Mr. Blue, that's right!"

Can you tell who is wearing what colour shirt?

Answer at bottom of the last page.

Plants for Pollinators:

August / September - Perovskia (Russian Sage) and Ivy



Perovskia, also known as Russian sage, is a plant that is not from Russia, nor is it a sage. However, everything about Russian sage makes it a perfect plant for your pollinator garden. It is low-maintenance, drought tolerant and will grow in very poor soils including clay. It prefers a sunny spot. At the same time, it is popular with all sorts of pollinators, including bees, butterflies, and hover flies.

Russian sages grow to about 3 feet (1m) high and 4 feet (1.2m) wide. The foliage is a greyish silver-green. Flowers range from dark blue to a light smoky blue and bloom from mid-summer until first frost.

As we move into September, the much maligned ivy becomes a highly important food source at the back end of the growing season, and is the last big harvest for a large number of insects and birds.

Many people see it as a weedy menace but its flowers provide both nectar and pollen to honeybees and many other insect species, including the increasingly widespread ivy bee, a vividly striped solitary bee which cannot complete its life cycle without the plant flowering.



Ivy grows at a rapid rate and it needs to be manged so it doesn't get out of control. So if you want to cut it back, it should be done after it has flowered. Its berries too should be left as long as possible as they feed birds such as redstarts, thrushes and blackbirds well into the winter.

Church News & Services

Following the retirement of Rev Canon Bronwen Gamble in January 2022, the process of appointing a new Rector is ongoing and expected to take several months. During this period the Church will continue as near normal as possible.

The ongoing Church contact will be Reader Gill Rann on 07518 543868 or riversretfordgill@gmail.com. Gill will be able to help with enquiries on matters such as baptisms, weddings, funerals, or home visits by putting you in touch with the appropriate person.

The Parish of The Rivers, Retford

serving the villages, hamlets and communities of :

Askham, Cottam, Darlton, Dunham on Trent, East Drayton, East Markham, Fledborough, Grove, Headon, Nether Headon, Laneham, Church Laneham, Ragnall, Rampton, Rockley, Stokeham, Treswell, Whimpton Moor, Woodbeck, Woodcoates, Upton.

	St Nicholas Askham	St Peter East Drayton/ Dunham on Trent	St John the Baptist East Markham	St Peter Headon	St Peter Laneham	All Saints Rampton	St Peter Stokeham	St John the Baptist Treswell
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4th September, 10.30 am, Benefice Holy Communion, St John the Baptist, East Markham

11th Sept		10.30am Morning Worship			9.00am Holy Communion		10.30am Harvest Festival	
18th Sept	5pm Harvest Songs of Praise		11.00am Busy Church for Families and Friends	10.30am Holy Communion				
25th Sept			8.00am Holy Communion			9.00am Morning Worship		

2nd October, 10.30 am, Benefice Holy Communion, St John the Baptist, East Markham

Retford Heritage Day Saturday 10th September

Retford Town Hall is one of the many buildings open to the public as part of Heritage Day on Saturday 10th September.

Join an experienced guide from Retford Civic Society for a fascinating **free** tour of the 'behind the scenes' rooms. Find out about the history of the building, the architecture and ballroom. Tickets can be booked at

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/retford-town-hall-tour-tickets-392489736367>



Re-cycled Cycles

All in very good condition and various sizes available
Contact John Parker 07939 412542 (East Drayton)

